

# Role of Youth in Food Security & Development

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# What is Food Security or Insecurity?



Availability of food as well as a sense of security of the human being to get enough food in time:

- to meet maintenance requirements
- to maintain health for better performance of all acts of life, and
- to grow well to meet production requirements (healthy offspring, milk production, work output, etc.)

*A person is food deficient if he/she is consuming lesser than 2100 C/day*

One's grain is another's drain



# Food Security Indicators



- Food production
- Income
- Total expenditure
- Food expenditure
- Share of expenditure on food
- Calorie consumption, and
- Nutritional status

# Factors Affecting Food Security



1. ***Population pressure***
2. Climate change (environment)
  - Famine
  - Floods
  - Earth quacks
3. War
4. Poverty
5. Food transport



# Factors Affecting on Food Security



## 6. *Urbanization*

- 7. Scarcity of irrigation water
- 8. Polluted drinking water
- 9. Disease
- 10. Limited yield
- 11. Imports
- 12. Damage to agricultural lands
- 13. Genetically modified crops

# Situation in Pakistan - 1



## Negative Indicators

- Population bomb has exploded, we are 180 million
- In 2008, 72 million people (51%) were food insecure, while now 28% of the populations lives below poverty line (1\$/d)
- 65% severely food insecure people live in rural area
- Food prices have risen 80% since then
- Urbanization is very fast (47:53)
- By 2030, Pakistan will not be an agricultural country
- Feudal lords are 5%, own 64% agricultural land but do not pay tax, bills, and above all, embezzle loans
- GDP share: Agriculture = 19%, Industry = 27%, and Services sector = 54%





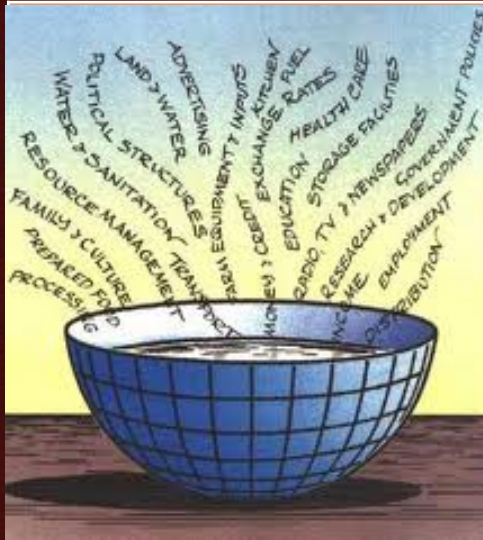
# Situation in Pakistan - 2



## Positive Indicators

- Pakistan is YOUNG, 60% people are lesser than 25 years old
- Middle class is expanding, most of them are working abroad
- Youth hate feudalism, energetic & efficiently use social media
- 51% young females are ready to play their supportive role

# Solution



1. Population **PLANNING**
  - Producing kids according to income
  - Emphasizing on YOUTH
  - Education + Skill development
  - Encouraging to go back to rural area
  - School & universities in rural areas
2. More **FOOD** production thru agriculture, livestock and fishery
3. Diverting **FUNDS** towards rural areas
4. Big and more **DAMS** for ample energy generation and food production



# THANK YOU FOR YOU INTEREST

## THINK!!

*How to end  
hunger in your  
community?*

